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JAPAN STOPS PRESS DISPATCHES, RUSSIA DELAYS REPLY AND LLOYDS DEMANDS WAR PREMIUMS EAST OF SINGAPORE



Interest at St. Petersburg Centers on the Preparations of Japan for War.

Probability That the Japanese Are Making Un-
reported Moves Which Will Amount to a
Declaration of Hostilities—Some Facts
About the Militant Strength of Con-
tending Forces.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLEGRAMS.)

LONDON, Jan. 2.—It is believed that Japan is stopping press
dispatches.

Lloyds is demanding war premiums on all vessels going east of
Singapore.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 2.—Diplomats believe that Russia
will not make an immediate reply to the Japanese note. Attention
now centers on Japanese war preparations.

LONDON, Jan. 1.—Baron Hayashi has been officially informed
by the Japanese Minister to France, that Russia will not accept the
proposals made by Japan. Baron Hayashi believes war is probable.

LONDON, Jan. 1.—Lord Lansdowne has given up hope of a
peaceful settlement between Russia and Japan.

PORT SAID, Suez, Jan. 1.—A Russian transport with 3000
troops on board has arrived here. The troops are bound to Port
Arthur.

GIBRALTAR, Jan. 1.—Two Russian torpedo-boat destroyers
have passed Gibraltar bound to the Far East.

The importance of the news that Japan is stopping press
dispatches is very great. That is the usual preliminary to war in
countries where control can be given the output of news and it was
the course taken by Japan when that country began to embark
troops and dispatch the navy in 1894. The public may fairly infer
that Japan is now undertaking some move which will amount to a
declaration of war.

THE IROQUOIS FIRE TEACHES ITS LESSON

CHICAGO, Jan. 2.—Nineteen theaters in this city have been
ordered closed because of inadequate fire precautions.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Stringent new fire regulations have been
adopted here.

CHICAGO, Jan. 1.—The death roll of the Iroquois theater dis-
aster is now believed to be complete. The deaths up to date
amount to 582. Several employees of the theater have been arrested
pending investigation by the Coroner's jury.

BREWER PABST DEAD.

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 2.—Captain Pabst, head of the well-
known brewing house, is dead.

CHICAGO HOTEL BURNS.

CHICAGO, Jan. 2.—The Hotel Louvre burned during the night.
Three persons are dead and four injured.

NEW YEAR FOOTBALL.

PORTLAND, Jan. 2.—Multnomah 18, Reliance 0.

PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—The President's New Year reception
was attended by the House and Senate, the Diplomatic Corps, Army
and Navy officers and leading Department officials.

M'CLELLAN INAUGURATED.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—Mayor McClellan was inaugurated to-
day.



BOARD OF HEALTH MAKES A CUT OF ONE THIRD

Government Physicians, Dispensary and Chief
Health Officer Will Be Dispensed With.
Sanitary Inspector and Asylum Guards
Have Salaries Reduced.

The Board of Health will make a cut of one third in its appro-
priations in carrying out the plan of economy inaugurated by Gov-
ernor Carter. While the efficiency of the health department will
be impaired by the reduction in force contemplated, it is considered
that the measure is only a temporary one to meet the emergency.

The cut decided on will effect a saving of thirty-three per cent
in the appropriation made by the Legislature. The measures de-
cided upon call for the cutting out entirely of the list of government
physicians, also the chief health officer, and one or more clerks in
the Board of Health offices.

It was decided to maintain the inspectors at their present num-
ber, twelve, but the salaries will be cut from \$100 to \$70 each, per
month. A reduction in the salary of guards at the insane asylum
will be made from \$50 to \$35 per month.

The government dispensary is to be closed entirely and the free
distribution of medicines to the indigent, and of medical services
will also be eliminated. There will also probably be a reduction
in the amount of rations issued at the settlement, which the Legis-
lature unnecessarily increased.

The question of subsidies to hospitals has been left open, having
been referred to the Attorney General for a legal opinion as to the
right of the government to refuse to pay these amounts.

In the general plan of economy, making necessary the cutting
out of the chief health officer, Dr. Pratt is to be offered the position
of chief sanitary inspector. No reduction in salaries can be made
in any departments of the Territory, where the salary has been fixed
by the Legislature.

OTHER DEPARTMENTS.

The reductions finally decided upon in the land court leaves
the expense of that department now, only the salary of the judge,
and of the clerk, who has been cut from \$150 to \$75 per month.
The surveyor, stenographer, deputy registrar and deputy clerk have
been dropped out.

In the Attorney General's Department one of the assistants,
Noah Aluli, has been dropped and other changes are contemplated.

JAPAN'S CHANCES IN A WAR WITH RUSSIA

War between Russia and Japan—assuming that the conflict be actually
maturing in the womb of time—must
afford an ideal test of what is known
in military circles as newspaper strate-
gy. There is scarcely one important
journal which is without a theory of
its own regarding the most advisable
course for both Japan and Russia to
adopt when hostilities break out. It
seems strange that Admiral Alexeieff,
the viceroy in the Far East, should
have to travel so many miles to ac-
quaint the Czar with Japan's chances
in the event of war. The same result
could be attained, apparently, by a ten-
dollar subscription to a bureau of news-
paper clippings. The St. James's Ga-
zette (London), The Daily News (Lon-
don), and ever so many others, have
outlined the whole course of war. They
know what Russia will try to do, what
Japan will try to prevent, where the
naval battles will be fought, and the
points upon which the forces of the
Czar will be "buried."

It should be understood from the
start, thinks the Independence Belge
(Brussels), that neither of the com-
batants would be supported by an ally.
Russia would request France to keep
her hands off. "Russia understands
that the interference of the French fleet
in her behalf would at once bring the
British fleet to the aid of Japan." Rus-
sia has no wish to try conclusions with
the mistress of the seas. But it would
appear from the London Times that

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NEW YEAR'S BEQUESTS TO PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS

Hawaiian Evangelical Association, Y. M. C. A.,
Library Association and Other Institutions
Receive Munificent Gifts From the
Atherton Estate.

Half a dozen public institutions of Honolulu received welcome
New Year's gifts in the form of bequests which the late Jos. B.
Atherton left for his widow to carry out. Not all of these institu-
tions have yet received notice of what is in store for them, and the
announcement this morning will come as a surprise to them.

Following the principle of Mr. Atherton in life, his widow in
carrying out his wishes, requested that as little publicity as pos-
sible be given to the method of acquiescence with the testator's
desires. Altogether, however, a good many thousands of dollars
will be distributed for the aid of educational, religious and charitable
purposes in accordance with Mr. Atherton's request.

Mr. Atherton made no charitable bequests in his will but instead
left this work to his wife, the will providing that she have "the
bestowing of such gifts as she may deem fitting and proper to rela-
tives, friends, and for religious, charitable and educational purposes,
referring her for guidance as to my wishes to our conversations on
the subject."

The institutions remembered in accordance with the wishes
expressed in these conversations are the Hawaiian Evangelical As-
sociation, the Young Men's Christian Association, Honolulu Library
Association, the Kawaiahae Seminary Association, the American
Relief Society and some smaller bequests.

To the Hawaiian Evangelical Association, the largest amount
is given, exceeding \$10,000. In addition to this, Mr. Atherton,
while on his death bed, paid an overdraft against the society for a
large amount.

To the Y. M. C. A. the amount of \$10,000 was given in bonds,
the income to be used in paying the salary of the General Secretary.
The endowment fund of the Y. M. C. A. amounts to \$17,000.

To the Honolulu Library Association the next largest amount
was given, while to the other societies named lesser amounts are
given.

Mr. Chas. Atherton stated yesterday that it was always his
father's wish that his charitable bequests be not known, and it was
his idea in declining to give information, other than of the names
of the institutions to be benefited, to respect that desire.

WEDAY BADLY WORSTED BY BARRY THE SAN FRANCISCAN

Barry's the boy!
Jack Weday, the ice-man slugger,
met his Waterloo at the Orpheum last
night. After five rounds of furious
fighting with Dave Barry, of San Fran-
cisco, the Honolulu man's seconds threw
a wet towel into the ring and Barry
was hailed as the winner. Weday got
the worst beating he ever had. He
stood awful punishment, but made a
good stand and acknowledged in a
manly way before the gong was rung
for the sixth round that he was beaten.
It was about as bad a beating as a man
could get in the ring.

condition. After a little parley with
Jesse Woods, the referee, it was agreed
that the men should break clean at the
command of the referee. The arrange-
ment was for fifteen rounds. Both men
had weighed in at 158 pounds. At the
sound of the gong they exchanged
blows without parley. Weday moved
lively. He landed blow after blow on
Barry's neck but the latter contented
himself with hook punches for the body.
The crowd began to think that it was
Weday's fight. Weday's seconds did not
seem to think so and at every blow that
Barry landed on Weday's body they
shouted "foul." But Barry did not

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